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USAREUR FOR POLAD; PARIS FOR EMB, USRO, STOESEL AND MCQUIRE

RE BERLIN'S 720 TO DEPT

TOGETHER WITH RECENT AUTOBAHN EVENTS, INTERFERENCE WITH US
MILITARY TRAIN OCT 9-10 GIVES EVIDENCE OF WHAT MAY BE GROWING
GDR TENDENCY TO INTERRUPT AMERICAN SURFACE ACCESS. ALTHOUGH
SUPERFICIALLY ERRATIC, THESE INCIDENTS HAVE ENOUGH COMMON
INGREDIENTS TO FORM RUDDIMENTARY PATTERN, I.E. EAST GERMAN
COCKINESS, WILFUL VIOLATION OF STANDING PROCEDURES, AND IN-
ABILITY TO OBTAIN SOVIET INTERVENTION.

SINCE IT IS SUPREMELY IMPORTANT TO PREVENT THESE EPISODES
FROM MULTIPLYING, EMB FAVORS FIRMEST AND CLEAREST PROTESTS TO
USSR. ALTHOUGH TRAIN INCIDENT WOULD NOT PER SE APPEAR TO
JUSTIFY ACTION AT GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL, IT IS DISTURBING THAT WE
HAD TO CONTENT OURSELVES WITH WRITTEN PROTEST TO EMPTY
KARLSHORST HEADQUARTERS. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT GENERAL
WATSON IS STILL SEEKING APPOINTMENT WITH SOLOVYEV. IF
SOLOVYEV'S ABSENCE IS TO BE PROLONGED MORE THAN ANOTHER 48
HOURS, EMBASSY WOULD RECOMMEND THAT GENERAL CLARKE WRITE PRO-
TEST ON TRAIN EPISODE DIRECT TO KONEV.

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